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Senate Bill 585

By Senators Beach and Lindsay

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to the Committee on Education]

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §18-2-7g, relating to requiring the State Board of Education to develop a program of instruction in home economics, or specific subjects within home economics, that may be integrated into the curriculum for students in secondary schools.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

 §18-2-7g. Program in home economics.

(a) The Legislature finds and declares that:

(1) Persons with an understanding of family and consumer sciences are better prepared to perform everyday activities such as cooking, sewing, house cleaning, minor home repair, budgeting, and time management;

(2) Possessing these skills would go a long way to help students have more successful lives as independent human beings; and

(3) Providing a family and consumer sciences course in secondary schools in West Virginia will prepare students to handle their everyday life issues.

(b) To provide students a basic familiarity with those issues, the state board shall develop a program of instruction in family and consumer sciences, or specific subjects within family and consumer sciences, that may be integrated into the curriculum for students in secondary schools.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to require the State Board of Education to create and provide a course in family and consumer sciences in secondary schools ensuring that students have a basic familiarity with those subjects.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.